Don't forget to check out the school's website www.californiagullyps.vic.edu.au

Calendar

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Event</th>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Details</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Education Week Open</td>
<td>May 18th</td>
<td>Wednesday, 9.15 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2017 Prep Information</td>
<td>May 18th</td>
<td>Wednesday, 6.30 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Curriculum Day</td>
<td>May 25th</td>
<td>No Students Required at School</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Every Tuesday and Friday
- 8.30 a.m. - 8.55 a.m.
  Library Open for borrowing and returning books and quiet reading

Every Wednesday 9.30 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.
- Playgroup

Every Friday 8.00 a.m. - 8.20 a.m.
- Breakfast Program

From the Principal

MISSION
At California Gully Primary School we educate students to be lifelong learners and well informed and productive community members who are well prepared to become active, engaged and responsible citizens of the local and global community.

IMPORTANT REMINDER

- Education Week Open Morning - Wednesday May 18th
  9.15 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.
- 2017 Prep Information Session - Wednesday May 18th
  6.30 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.
- Curriculum Day (No Students Required at School) - Wednesday May 25th

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

CURRICULUM DAY

Wednesday 25th May - The focus of our term 2 curriculum day will be on our teaching and learning and wellbeing programs that are currently in place and being developed. It will provide teachers with an opportunity to review the programs (including the Victorian Curriculum to be fully implemented across the State in 2017), consider ways of improving the implementation of programs (including planning and intervention).

EDUCATION WEEK

On Wednesday 18th May we will have an ‘Open Morning’ running from 9.15am - 11.00am. Family members are more than welcome to join the children during their classroom activities and have a look around the school.

School tours will take place from 9.15am to 11.00am on Friday 20th May. Tour groups will be guided by staff and our student school leaders. The 2017 Prep (Foundation) Information session will be held on Wednesday 18th May from 6.30pm to 7.30pm.

PARENTS’ CLUB

A massive thank you to Parents’ Club for organising the Mothers’ Day Stall it was very successful with the children able to purchase an item(s) that I know would have been treasured by all mum’s last Sunday. The money raised by Parents’ Club will go towards purchasing all of the 2016 Australian shortlisted picture story and non-fiction books. This will be a fantastic addition to our library and literacy programs.

School Assembly starts at 8.55 a.m. Please be on time!

To report an absence through the school website you can use this link Report an Absence
MOTHERS’ DAY BREAKFAST
What a huge success our Mothers’ Day Breakfast was. The biggest problem we now have is finding another area within the school which can cater for all the mums attending as we ran out of room. There are many people to thank when it comes to school community events such as this. Thank you: Kerryn and Nicole for organising the event; Brett Bradley for his outstanding job at preparing the food; the staff for assisting with the serving of food and overall assistance in the morning; the students who assisted in setting up our ‘dining area’ the day before and to the families who were able to attend and make it such an enjoyable and successful event.

SCHOOL COUNCIL
At last Monday’s School Council meeting 2 policies, the Equal Opportunity and Incursions policies were reviewed and endorsed. The Facebook Page Code of Conduct was presented for discussion and also endorsed. As a result, the Code of Conduct and a student permission form will be sent home early next week.
School Council is also organising a dinner at the Bendigo Stadium it will double as a social get together and as a fundraising event. That is a percentage of the cost of the meals comes back to the school. The date for the event will be announced early next week.
A working bee has been scheduled for Thursday June 1st. The working bee will run from 3.30pm to 5.00pm. Our goal will be to tidy up our garden beds, and undertake some general maintenance. We hope that the time scheduled will allow families to stay on after school and assist rather than ‘eating’ into your weekends as in past years. Look out for further information closer to the day.

ASTRONOMY EVENING
I was very pleased with the turnout of families to our Astronomy Evening (around 30 families). We were very fortunate with the weather and the clear sky gave us the best opportunity to view Saturn, Jupiter, Mars, the moon and other constellations. Thankyou to Paul Foley (past student and organiser) and members of the Bendigo and District Astronomical Society who did a wonderful job showing the school community the various planets and constellations in our night sky. A number of our families indicated they would like to follow up with Paul on a number of interests to do with astronomy so I am providing an email address which Paul said he will respond to if you email him, education@bdas.net

Jason Lee
Principal

CALIFORNIA GULLY FACEBOOK PAGE
Interested in following the great events and activities occurring at California Gully Primary School then use the link below to get to our official Facebook Page.

https://www.facebook.com/californiagullyps/

CSEF (Camps, Sports & Excursion Fund)
Applications are closing soon for families who are Health Care Card holders to apply for the funding - forms are available from the school office, when completing your application please bring a long your current Health Care Card, this is needed for the application to be accepted. Applications need to be at the school by Friday June 17th.

School Assembly starts at 8.55 a.m. Please be on time!
To report an absence through the school website you can use this link Report an Absence
Parents’ Club Meeting
The next meeting of the Parents’ Club will be in the conference room after assembly on a date to be advised. All welcome.

Contacting the Parents’ Club
If you wish to contact the Parents’ club have an email address which is cgpsparentsclub@gmail.com. Thank you for your support.

Parents’ Club

Outside School Hours Care
Monday to Friday 3.15 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.

- Available for all parents of California Gully Primary School
- Affordable
- Childcare in a safe and secure environment
- Providing interesting activities for all children
- Permanent/Casual Bookings available
- Emergency bookings always available

Mrs. Paton

School Calendar

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>MONDAY</th>
<th>TUESDAY</th>
<th>WEDNESDAY</th>
<th>THURSDAY</th>
<th>FRIDAY</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>May 16th - May 20th</td>
<td>School Banking Day - Bendigo Bank</td>
<td>Education Week</td>
<td>Open Morning</td>
<td>School Banking Day - Commonwealth Bank Breakfast Program</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>May 23rd - May 27th</td>
<td>School Banking Day - Bendigo Bank</td>
<td>Curriculum Day</td>
<td></td>
<td>School Banking Day - Commonwealth Bank Breakfast Program</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>May 30th - June 3rd</td>
<td>School Banking Day - Bendigo Bank</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>School Banking Day - Commonwealth Bank Breakfast Program</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>June 6th - June 10th</td>
<td>School Banking Day - Bendigo Bank</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>School Banking Day - Commonwealth Bank Breakfast Program</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

School Assembly starts at 8.55 a.m. Please be on time!
To report an absence through the school website you can use this link Report an Absence
CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS

Our school cross country run was held in beautiful sunny conditions last Friday. The whole school attended, with the infant grades also running this year. The children enjoyed cheering on the runners. This year, for the first time, the event was held as a ‘House’ event with Green House being the winning house.

The infant children ran 500 mts, the 8, 9 and 10 year olds ran approximately 2 kms and the 11, 12 and 13 year olds ran approximately 3 kms. The children in grades 3 to 6 will be competing at the cross country event at the Bendigo racecourse on Friday.

Following are the individual results from last Friday:-

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Prep G</th>
<th>Grade 1 G</th>
<th>Grade 2 G</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>First</td>
<td>Shayne T.</td>
<td>First</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Second</td>
<td>Ella B.</td>
<td>Second</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Third</td>
<td>Kiara B.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Prep B</th>
<th>Grade 1 B</th>
<th>Grade 2 B</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>First</td>
<td>Logan B.</td>
<td>First</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Second</td>
<td>Arlen C.</td>
<td>Second</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Third</td>
<td>Caleb G.</td>
<td>Third</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>8/9 G</th>
<th>10 yr G</th>
<th>11 yr G</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>First</td>
<td>Ashlee M.</td>
<td>First</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Second</td>
<td>Ruby McH.</td>
<td>Second</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Third</td>
<td>Shae H.</td>
<td>Third</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>8/9 B</th>
<th>10 yr B</th>
<th>11 yr B</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>First</td>
<td>Mason F.</td>
<td>First</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Second</td>
<td>Aaron B.</td>
<td>Second</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Third</td>
<td>Hayden M.</td>
<td>Third</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>12/13 G</th>
<th>12/13 B</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>First</td>
<td>Phoebe S.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Second</td>
<td>Isobel P.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Third</td>
<td>Taylor T.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Don’t forget to check out the school’s website www.californiagullyps.vic.edu.au

School Assembly starts at 8.55 a.m. Please be on time!
To report an absence through the school website you can use this link Report an Absence
This year we will again celebrate 100 days of Maths. Each week in the newsletter we will have a focus on Maths. Here is a puzzle page for all the family. Level 1 and 2 are generally for younger students, but you can do whatever levels you wish. Children may complete them on their own or they may need some assistance. We hope you enjoy them. Bring in your neat answers and we will display them on the Maths Board in the undercover area. It would be great to see some work up on display each week!
Congratulations to the following students on being named Student of The Week for their positive attitude to school and social values.

**Thursday May 6th**

**Prep Dillon:**
Shayne T. - For working well in library

**1/2 Peacock-Hinton:**
Noah A. - For working well in library.
Gus B. - For being an interested student and bringing a positive attitude to all his school activities.
Riley Co. - For making a big effort to practice his doubles facts.

**3/4 Ennor:**
Emily K.-S. - For working well in library.

**3/4 Reilly-Carroll:**
Jesse B. - For being an honest and trustworthy student.
Richard P. - For being a supportive and caring friend to others.
Tai W. - For working really hard on all class tasks.

**5/6 McKerrow:**
Mitchell W. - For his excellent ideas in ICT.

**5/6 Windridge:**
Jayde C. - For completing the Premiers’ Reading Challenge.
Shelby G. - For completing the Premiers’ Reading Challenge.

Parking and Animal Services from the City of Greater Bendigo have contacted our school and requested that the following information be conveyed to our school community.

The illegal parking of vehicles adjacent to our school poses a safety concern to children, pedestrians and other road users. Parents are reminded that it is essential to comply with parking restrictions when dropping off and collecting children from school.

Motorists must not stop in no stopping areas, even briefly, with or without the motor running. They must not stop next to a continuous yellow edge line, on nature strips, too close to school crossings, park over driveways or double park. A number of schools have short term time restricted areas, such as 2 minute pick up drop off. These parking areas are in place to allow for ease of access close to schools and these restrictions must be adhered to. Drivers should also be aware that they cannot perform a U-turn over an unbroken or continuous dividing line.

With regard to children’s crossings, the law requires that a driver approaching a children’s crossing must drive at a speed at which the driver can, if necessary stop safely before the crossing. Please slow down and take extra care when driving in school zones.

City of Greater Bendigo Parking Officers and Bendigo Police do conduct random patrols throughout the school year at various locations to ensure that motorists are adhering to the Road Rules.

---

School Assembly starts at 8.55 a.m. Please be on time!
To report an absence through the school website you can use this link Report an Absence
GREAT TIPS FOR HEALTHY KIDS

TIP 31. SNACK FOODS CAN BE HEALTHY

Kids need to replenish their energy during the day. While meals provide the main nutrition, they need ‘fuel stops’ to keep them going. Packets of chips and fried foods are okay once in a blue moon, but for everyday snacking, make a habit of keeping fresh, healthy foods in the house.

What you can do NOW

- Get the kids to help you cut up celery sticks, carrot sticks and capsicum slices to have handy as snacks.
- Cut vegies just before eating and serve a low-fat, yoghurt-based dip with vegetables.

Good Idea!

Ideas for healthy snacks include; fresh fruit; vegetables with low-fat dip or hummus; a cob of corn; a fruit smoothie; low-fat yoghurt; rice crackers; a hard-boiled egg; a sandwich with egg or reduced-fat cheese; dried fruits; or unbuttered and unsalted popcorn.

Drinks for Kids

There are many opinions regarding the best beverage choice for your child, whether it be water, milk or 100% fruit juice. However, nutritionists across the globe all agree that water should always be your first choice when selecting a thirst quenching drink.

Why?? There are many benefits to drinking water including:

- It does not cause dental caries
- It is thirst quenching
- It has no energy or kilojoules and no caffeine
- It prevents dehydration
- It costs nothing

Dehydration is a major issue for children; they can easily become dehydrated because they haven’t developed thirst signals. Children need to be encouraged and reminded to drink throughout the day.

Other drinks such as cordial, soft drinks and fruit juices are high in sugar and promote dental caries. Juice contains natural sugars that is concentrated, while soft drinks and cordials have added sugar.

Milk should be encouraged as a healthy beverage. Choose low fat, plain milk types for strong bones. Try dairy smoothies, e.g. banana smoothies, or milkshakes and warm milk with Milo.

School Assembly starts at 8.55 a.m. Please be on time!
To report an absence through the school website you can use this link Report an Absence
GRADE 3 TO 6 CAMP
Please note that Camp payments need to be finalised by Friday June 17th. If you would like to pay directly into the school bank account the details are:

BSB: - 063-506
Account Number: - 1011 3387
Account Name: - California Gully Primary School Council
Official Account
Reference: - Camp for (Child’s Name)

PLAYGROUP
Let’s get together and build on friendships.

Wednesdays
9.30 a.m. - 11.30 p.m.
in the Outside School Hours Care room.

Please bring along a piece of fruit to share.
We follow the healthy eating guidelines and encourage the SunSmart messages that are taught to the students at school, to provide a great foundation for future students.

Session dates and activities:

May 18th    Finding Treasures - Exploring Our School
May 25th    Planting Seeds
June 1st    Bookmaking—Playgroup Stories
June 8th    Playdough Fun
June 15th   Multi-Purpose Room - Adventure Play
June 22nd   Pyjama Party - Last Playgroup Term 2

For information of what events are coming up in playgroup please visit the school website Playgroup page.

Join us on Facebook:  www.facebook/calgullyplaygroup1

School Assembly starts at 8.55 a.m. Please be on time!
To report an absence through the school website you can use this link Report an Absence
Don’t forget to check out the school’s website www.californiagullyps.vic.edu.au

School Assembly starts at 8.55 a.m. Please be on time!
To report an absence through the school website you can use this link Report an Absence
School Assembly starts at 8:55 a.m. Please be on time!

To report an absence through the school website you can use this link: Report an Absence
California Gully Primary School

Join us at our weekly Breakfast Program

Every Friday from 8 a.m. to 8.20 a.m.

Thanks to Empowering Eaglehawk, The Eaglehawk Football Club and the Peter Krenz Leisure Centre/ YMCA we have a community breakfast program for all families (parents are more than welcome to attend) and staff of California Gully. The community breakfast program continues tomorrow, Friday May 13th at 8 a.m. (please note that we will stop serving breakfast at 8.20a.m. any children who arrive after 8.20 a.m. will miss out).

Sharing in breakfast together, what a great way for our school community to start to start the day!

California Gully Primary School Learning Club

Has Started!!!

The Learning Club has fun, interactive activities and games to improve literacy and numeracy skills and develop confidence. All sessions are fully supervised.

Light refreshments are provided.

If interested in participating, please complete a Registration Form at the School Reception desk.

The Learning Club is proudly supported by The Smith Family & La Trobe University.

Introducing Fresh Fruit Friday

Benefiting the health and wellbeing of our Bendigo school children

Proudly funded and supported by:

School Assembly starts at 8.55 a.m. Please be on time!
To report an absence through the school website you can use this link Report an Absence

Don’t forget to check out the school’s website www.californiagullyps.vic.edu.au